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Welcome to the 5th annual Commonwealth CFO Conference, sponsored by the Office of the Comptroller. This forum was developed to bring Commonwealth finance professionals together to ensure that initiatives are communicated, planned and implemented in an environment where all the stakeholders have input into the process.

We are fortunate to have a number of guests speaking at the Conference, including the Secretary for Administration and Finance, Thomas Trimarco.

During last year's session, we provided educational sessions and information to assist you as you were implementing MMARS. This year we are focusing on topics and major issues challenging CFOs and have designed a program to assist you in our ability to manage the finances of the Commonwealth. I believe you will find this year's sessions both educational and informative. We've designed general sessions and breakouts with lecture and interactive formats. We have included interesting sessions for you:

- Using MMARS to Manage
- Managing Interdepartmental Business
- Introduction of the new Quality Assurance Bureau

Informal networking and sharing ideas and experiences has proven to be successful at this conference, thus we have built time into the agenda for this networking. This fifth year of the CFO Conference provides the Office of the Comptroller and Partnering Agencies an opportunity to build on the collaboration of years past; at a time when financial management is ever more critical, and the insight and innovation of all are essential.

Join us, and enjoy the conference!

Martin J. Benison 

Conference Agenda

8:00-9:00	Registration	N.E. Economic Adventure
9:00-9:45	Keynote Speaker	Auditorium Thomas Trimarco, Secretary for Administration and Finance Dave Westerfelt, Budget Director
9:45-10:30	General Session This general session will provide a review of the first year of MMARS, plans for FY06 and conference goals	Auditorium Martin Benison, Comptroller
10:30-10:50	Break	N.E. Economic Adventure
11:00 -12:30	Breakout 1: New QA Bureau at CTR This session will provide participants with an overview of the new Quality Assurance Bureau and how this new team will interact with your department.	AV - 4
	Breakout 2: Using MMARS to Manage (Beginner) This session will provide participants with MMARS Navigation tips and an overview of Budget Structures.	AV - 3
	Breakout 3: Managing Interdepartmental Activity A roadmap to the fiscal business that cuts across departments, including ISA, Interdepartmental Business, Parent-Child relationships.	AV - 1
12:30-1:30	Lunch	N.E./Boston Room
1:45-3:15	Breakout 1: New QA Bureau at CTR This session will provide participants with an overview of the new Quality Assurance Bureau and how this new team will interact with your department.	AV - 4
	Breakout 2: Using MMARS to Manage (Advanced) This session will provide participants with practical tips for managing Budgets and LCM using Key Queries and Reports.	AV - 1
	Breakout 3: Managing Interdepartmental Activity A roadmap to the fiscal business that cuts across departments, including ISA, Interdepartmental Business, Parent-Child relationships.	AV - 3
3:15-3:40	Break	N.E. Economic Adventure
3:40-5:00	General Session Central Service Agency Panel	Auditorium Perter Quinn (ITD); Ellen Phillips (OSD) Ruth Bramson (HRD); Tim Brooks (TRE) Martin Benison, Comptroller
	Closing Remarks	